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LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government provides financial and technical assistance to various institutes for research and processing in the area of Ayurveda;

(b) if so, the details of the financial assistance provided for the purpose during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise and the achievement made by them;

(c) whether the Government proposes to upgrade the Nature Cure Division in various Government Hospitals including Ayurveda Hospital in Ottappalam; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI S. GANDHISELVAN)

(a) & (b): Yes. Department of Ayurveda, Yoga & Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy (AYUSH) has been funding different organizations for the research in field of Ayurveda, Yoga & Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy under the Extra Mural Research (EMR) Scheme. During the last three years a total of 22 Ayurveda and Siddha projects have been funded under the scheme and Rs. 2,16,50,368/- has been released during this period. In the current year, 8 projects have so far been approved for the funding. Among these, 2 projects have been completed and the outcomes of the other projects are under publication in peer reviewed journals.

(c) & (d): The Central Council for Research in Yoga & Naturopathy, an autonomous body under the Department of AYUSH, supports Naturopathy & Yoga OPD in the allopathic & other hospitals. Nature Cure Division of Govt. Ayurveda hospital in Ottappalam has been funded by the Central Council for Research in Yoga & Naturopathy under 20 Beds Patient Care Centre Scheme with a grant-in-aid of Rs. 6.00 Lakh per annum for 10 years.